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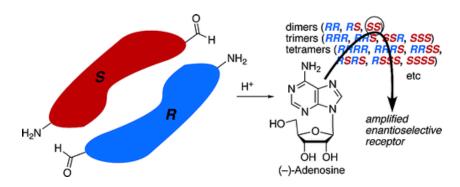
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Dynamic Combinatorial Chemistry (DCC) is emerging as a new approach to discover synthetic receptors for a broad array of guests. One important reason for its applicability is the fact that the assay is carried out under competitive selection conditions, which causes only the most competent host to be amplified over its competitors. Research efforts have been primarily been focused on articulating the "rules" which describe how this phenomenon presents itself and also utilizes the known methodologies for molecular recognition. When non-obvious strategies are discovered, these situations were examined in more detail. Outlined below are our contributions to the discovery and selection of new molecular receptors for binding and catalysis.

"The Discovery of an Enantioselective Receptor for (-)-Adenosine from a Racemic Dynamic Combinatorial Library" Sharon M. Voshell, Stephen J. Lee, and Michel R. Gagné J. Am. Chem. Soc., **2006**, 128, 12422–12423.

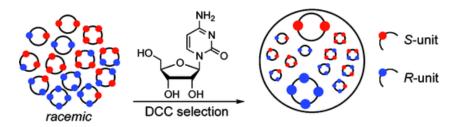
The use of laser polarimetry detection coupled with HPLC is demonstrated to enable the discovery of enantioselective receptors from racemic dynamic combinatorial libraries. Templating with an enantiopure analyte, such as (–)-adenosine, leads to amplification of one enantiomer of the cyclic dimer. A result confirmed with a pseudo-racemic library wherein one of the enantiomers was d-labeled for mass spec analysis. The resulting dimer is thus an enantioselective receptor for (–)-adenosine.



"Deracemization of a Dynamic Combinatorial Library Induced by (-)-Cytidine and (-)-2-Thiocytidine" Mee-Kyung Chung, Christine M. Hebling, James W. Jorgenson, Kay Severin, Stephen J. Lee and Michel R. Gagné *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2008**, *130*, 11819–11827.

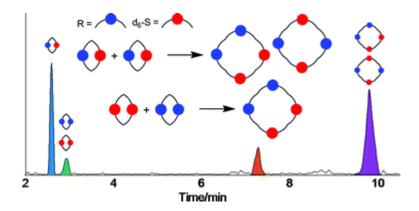
A dynamic combinatorial library composed of racemic hydrazone-based dipeptides becomes deracemized on binding to the chiral analytes (–)-cytidine and (–)-2-thiocytidine through the amplification of two receptors, (SS)-dimer and (RRRR)-tetramer. The deracemization phenomenon was investigated by laser polarimetry, mass-tagged pseudo-enantiomers in

conjunction with electrospray ionization mass spectrometry, HPLC/UV-MS, UPLC/UV-MS, rapid-resolution LC-MS, collision-induced dissociation MS/MS, and numerical simulations. These data were consistent with a phenomenon where (SS)-dimer and (RRRR)-tetramer selectively bind the chiral analyte in preference to their enantiomeric counterparts, which ultimately causes them to be amplified and the library to become deracemized.



"The effect of gas-phase reactions on the quantitation of cyclic hydrazone libraries by electrospray ionization (ESI) mass spectrometry" Holly Schiltz, Mee-Kyung Chung, Stephen J. Lee and Michel R. Gagné *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, **2008**, *6*, 3597-3600.

Using mass spectrometry coupled with LC analysis we report evidence of diastereomer dependent fragmentation and oligomerization reactions in the ionization of acyl-hydrazone-based libraries of cyclic oligomers. These effects can significantly affect the accuracy of MS-based quantitations, but also provide a venue for examining ionization effects in dynamic combinatorial libraries (DCLs).

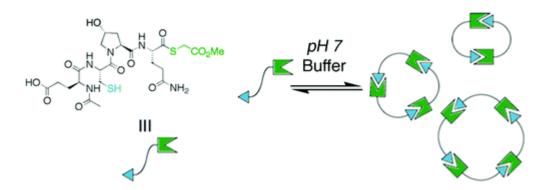


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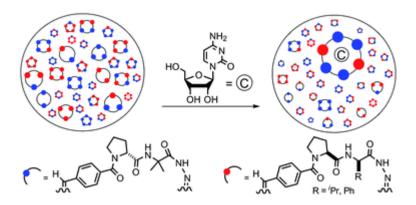
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Thiol—thioester exchange was found to readily generate libraries of cyclic thiodepsipeptides under thermodynamic control, which will enable their use in a variety of dynamic combinatorial chemistry assays. The kinetic determinants of macrocycle formation and the role of amino acid structure on the reaction dynamics are discussed.



"Constitutionally selective amplification of multicomponent 84-membered macrocyclic hosts for (-)-cytidine•H<sup>+</sup>" Mee-Kyung Chung, Kay Severin, Stephen J. Lee, Marcey L. Waters and Michel R. Gagné\* *Chem. Sci.*, **2011**, 2, 744-747.

Mixtures of dipeptide monomers create stereochemically and constitutionally complex dynamic libraries of potential receptors. When (–)-cytidine was utilized as guest an 84-membered cyclic host was amplified (70–175 fold) from a nearly undetectable initial concentration. Only the specified diastereomeric combination of the two chiral building blocks yielded a dynamic library from which the macrocyclic receptor could be amplified.

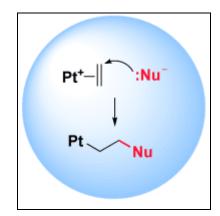


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"Electrophilic Activation of Alkenes by Platinum(II): So Much More Than a Slow Version of Palladium(II)" Anthony R. Chianese, Stephen J. Lee, Michel R. Gagné Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2007**, 46, 4042-4059.

The electrophilic activation of alkenes by transition-metal catalysts is a fundamental step in a rapidly growing number of catalytic processes. Although palladium is the best known metal for

this purpose, the special properties of its third-row cousin platinum (strong metal-ligand bonds and slow substitution kinetics) have enabled the development of transformations that are initiated by addition to the C=C bonds by protic carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, and phosphorus nucleophiles, as well as alkene or arene nucleophiles. Additionally, reactivity profiles, which are often unique to platinum, provide wholly new reaction products. This Review concerns platinum-catalyzed electrophilic alkene activation reactions, with a special emphasis on the mechanistic properties of known systems, on the differences between platinum and palladium catalysts, and on the prospects for the development of new systems.



"Gold(I)-Catalyzed Asymmetric Cycloisomerization of Eneallenes into Vinylcyclohexene" Michael A. Tarselli, Anthon R. Chianese, Stephen J. Lee, Michael R. Gagné\* Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2007**, 46, 6670-6673.

Cycloisomerization of eneallenes by cationic gold(I) catalysts produces vinylcyclohexene derivatives in up to 77 % *ee*, using [3,5-xylyl-binap(AuCl)<sub>2</sub>] and AgOTf additive (see scheme; 3,5-xylyl-binap=2,2'-bis(di(3,5-xylyl)phosphino)-1,1'-binaphthyl). The procedure is amenable to the synthesis of mono- and bicyclic products and is tolerant of ester, alcohol, and amide groups.

"Gold(I)-Catalyzed Cascade Cyclization of Allenyl Epoxides" Michael A. Tarselli, J. Lucas Zuccarello, Stephen J. Lee and Michel R. Gagné *Org. Lett.*, **2009**, *11*, 3490–3492.

Cationic gold(I) phosphite catalysts activate allenes for epoxide cascade reactions. The system is tolerant of numerous functional groups (sulfones, esters, ethers, sulfonamides) and proceeds at room temperature in dichloromethane. The cyclization pathway is sensitive to the substitution pattern of the epoxide and the backbone structure of the A-ring. It is capable of producing medium-ring ethers, fused 6-5 bicyclic, and linked pyran-furan structures. The resulting cycloisomers are reminiscent of structures found in numerous polyether natural products.

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A mild, stereoselective method for the Ni-catalyzed synthesis of  $\alpha$ -C-alkylglycosides is reported. This approach entails the reductive coupling of glycosyl bromides with activated alkenes at room temperature, with low alkene loading as an important feature. Diastereoselective coupling with 2-substituted acrylate derivatives was made possible through the use of 2,4-dimethyl-3-pentanol as a proton source.